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SUBJECT: HUSSEIN STATEMENT RE WEST BANK PLAN

REF: AMMAN 5878 AND 5915

1. IN INTERVIEW IN PRO-CAIRO AL ANWAR NOV 4, KING HUSSEIN RESPONDED TO QUERY RE CONTINUED VALIDITY OF HIS WEST BANK FEDERATION PLAN BY SAYING IT "NATURALLY NOT" VALID "AT THIS STAGE" SINCE IT WAS MEANT TO BE PUT FORWARD FOR CONSIDERATION FOLLOWING LIBERATION OF OCCUPIED TERRITORIES. HE SAID GOJ HAD NO NEW PLAN TO PROPOSE, BUT ADDED IT "IS CAREFULLY FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENTS AND ITS POSITION WILL BE CRYSTALLIZED IN LIGHT OF THOSE DEVELOPMENTS". ASKED ABOUT FUTURE OF WEST BANK AND GAZA, KING REPLIED THAT SPEAKING ABOUT GAZA "IS OUTSIDE MY DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY, SINCE RESPONSIBILITY FOR GAZA UNTIL 1967 BELONGED TO ANOTHER ARAB STATE". "HOWEVER," HE ADDED, "I BELIEVE THAT IF ANY PALESTINIAN TERRITORIES ARE RESTORED, THEY MUST BE LINKED TOGETHER SO THEIR PEOPLE COULD LIVE AS ONE PEOPLE". HE REITERATED DEMAND FOR REESTABLISHMENT OF JORDANIAN SOVEREIGNTY OVER ALL WEST BANK TERRITORIES OCCUPIED IN 1967, INCLUDING JERUSALEM; EMPHASIZED HIS SUPPORT FOR

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PALESTINIAN "RIGHTS" AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PERTINENT UN RESES;

DEFENDED JORDAN'S ROLE IN RECENT HOSTILITIES; AND WARNED THAT IF CURRENT DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS FAIL TO ACHIEVE JUST PEACE IN ME, HOSTILITIES WOULD RECUR.

2. IN SEPARATE ANWAR INTERVIEW NOV 6, JORDANIAN PRIMIN RIFAI INSISTED PRESENCE OF PALESTINIAN REPS AT FUTURE PEACE CONFERENCE WOULD COMPLEMENT, NOT CONFLICT WITH, JORDANIAN REPRESENTATION. NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT "RIGHTS OF PALESTINIAN PEOPLE, WHICH JORDAN COMPLEMENTS AS FAR AS WEST BANK IS CONCERNED, GO BEYOND FROTIER OF THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES". SAID CONTACTS ARE NOW UNDERWAY WITH OTHER ARAB GOVTS, INCLUDING CONFRONTATION STATES, AND WITH "OUR PALESTINIAN BROTHERS INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES IN ORDER ENABLE ARABS PRESENT UNITED STAND AT PEACE CONFERENCE". RIFAI EMPHASIZED JORDAN'S REFUSAL TO "GIVE UP RIGHT TO ABSOLUTE SOVEREIGNTY" OVER EAST JERUSALEM. ALSO SAID GOJ WAS ANXIOUS TO HEAR "KISSINGER'S VIEW RE FUTURE STEPS TO IMPLEMENT SC RES 338, WHICH CONTAINS NUMBER OF VAGUE POINTS--SUCH AS 'APPROPRIATE AUSPICES' AND OTHER THINGS--THAT NEED TO BE CLARIFIED".
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